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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoshitaka HAYASHI et al.

Appln. No.:

Filed: Herewith

For: STARTING CLUTCH AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified
patent application as indicated below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 3, 8, 9, 17, 26, 35, 39, 49, 61, 69
and 72 as set forth below.

1 3. (Amended) A starting clutch according to claim 1,
2 wherein the lock mechanism for locking the reactive force from
3 said inner portion comprises a one-way clutch.